State of Montana Project Management Advisory Workgroup Mission and Objectives

Draft Mission Statement

To promote project management across state government; to encourage the use of project management best practices; to help ensure state government projects meet their intended objectives with respect to scope, time and budget.

Draft Objectives

- Provide a forum for project management collaboration and governance.
- Provide a forum to assist and mentor project managers.
- Provide a forum to develop and maintain project management policy.
- Provide a forum for project management training and certification.
- Provide a forum to promote project management best practices.
- Provide a forum to create and manage a state project portfolio.
- Provide a forum to ensure accurate and consistent reporting to the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC Dashboard).
- Provide a forum to evaluate PM and PPM tools.
- The workgroup will effectively function as a multi-agency Project Management Office for the State of Montana.

Draft Roles and Responsibilities

- The focus of the workgroup will be IT-oriented projects. However, project teams from other domains are welcome to participate.
- Participation is open to state agencies and the PM community.
- Agencies will be represented by designating a delegate and alternate.
- Agencies with projects on the LFC dashboard are encouraged to participate.
- A Chair will be nominated and appointed by the workgroup on an annual basis.
- The workgroup will be staffed by State Information Technology Services Division, CIO Support Staff.
- Agencies will maintain autonomy over their projects including budget and staffing.
- State CIO will use this workgroup to assist in reporting to the LFC.
- Mentoring and assistance for agency projects will be voluntary and upon request.
- The workgroup will report to Information Technology Managers Council (ITMC).